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REMARKS

In reply to the Office Action of October 5, 2004, Applicant submits the following remarks. Claim 106 is amended. Claims 1-19, 21-50, 86-93, 95-105 and 109 are pending. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendment and the foregoing remarks.

Section 102 Rejection

Claims 106-108 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent Number 6,175,186 ("Matsuura"). The applicant respectfully disagrees.

Claim 106 is directed to a device having a first laminate comprising a plastic over a top surface of a substrate. One or more support posts provide support for the first laminate.

Matsuura describes a device with an adhesive layer 8 and an inter-insulator layer 14 between a sealing lid 7 and a substrate 2 (FIG. 1, col. 2, lines 43-67). The sealing lid 7 is formed from glass, an oxide or a nitride ceramic (col. 7, lines 63-67).

Matsuura describes a device with a sealing lid formed of glass, an oxide or a nitride ceramic. However, Matsuura fails to suggest or disclose a device with a first laminate comprising a plastic over a top surface of a substrate where one or more support posts provide support for the first laminate. For at least this reason, the applicant submits that claim 106 is not anticipated by Matsuura. Claims 107 and 108 depend from claim 106 and are similarly not anticipated.

Allowed Claims

Claims 1-19, 21-50, 86-93, 95-105 and 109 were allowed. The applicant thanks the Examiner for finding these claims allowable.

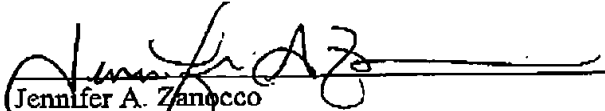
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